

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, Avery Davis recently celebrated his Ninetieth Birthday with a card shower on December 1, 2004; and

Whereas, after a childhood filled with all manner of educational and rewarding experiences, Avery Davis began a family of his own when he married Helen Irene Oyerly on March 24, 1934; and

Whereas, the marital union of Avery and Helen Davis has been richly blessed down through the years by their children, Shirley and John Scarbrough of Athens, Texas; Karen and Jerry Gilland of Mechanicsville, Virginia; and Tom and Helen Davis of Longmont, Colorado; and

Whereas, Avery Davis supported his family through his operation of a new and used furniture store in Mound City, a vocational endeavor which he brought to a close in well-deserved retirement; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Avery Davis enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Avery Davis:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninetieth Birthday of Avery Davis and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Avery Davis of Mound City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted _____, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker